

Senate Bill 351

By: Senators Seabaugh of the 28th and Balfour of the 9th

**AS PASSED SENATE**

**A BILL TO BE ENTITLED**

**AN ACT**

1 To amend Code Section 43-3-25 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to  
2 continuing professional education requirements for certified public accountants, so as to  
3 provide for reduced required hours for state employees; to provide for automatic repeal; to  
4 repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

6 Code Section 43-3-25 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to continuing  
7 professional education requirements for certified public accountants, is amended by revising  
8 subsection (b) as follows:  
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10 "(b) The board shall be authorized to promulgate rules and regulations providing for the  
11 number of hours of acceptable continuing professional education, which shall not be less  
12 than 60 hours, required to renew a live permit, for the assignment of credit for hours in  
13 excess of the minimum requirement, and for the proration of required hours; provided,  
14 however, that, for calendar years 2010 and 2011, the minimum number of hours required  
15 for persons employed in a full-time position by the State of Georgia shall be 20 hours. The  
16 board may establish criteria for continuing professional education programs, provide for  
17 accreditation of such programs, enter into agreements with sponsors of such programs, and  
18 provide for the assignment of credits for participation in such programs."

**SECTION 2.**

19 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.  
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